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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions on the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields, particularly its resolution 50/227 of 24 May 1996,

Recalling also its resolution 56/211 of 21 December 2001, as well as Economic and Social Council resolution 2001/21 of 26 July 2001 and its agreed conclusions 1995/1 of 28 July 1995 and 2000/2 of 27 July 2000,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits, including the Millennium Summit,[1]

Reaffirming the development goals and commitments embodied in the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits, which provide a comprehensive basis for action at the national, regional and international levels with the key objectives of poverty eradication, sustainable development and improvement of the living conditions of people everywhere,

Reiterating the need to strengthen the role of the General Assembly as the highest intergovernmental mechanism for the formulation and appraisal of policy on matters relating to coordinated and integrated follow-up to United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields,

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

[1] A/57/75-E/2002/57.

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Reaffirming that the Economic and Social Council should continue to oversee system-wide coordination and thus to promote coordinated follow-up to the outcomes of major United Nations conferences in the economic, social and related fields,

Emphasizing that the relevant functional commissions and, as appropriate, other relevant intergovernmental bodies of the United Nations system, within their mandates, must fulfil their responsibilities as specified in the outcomes of the United Nations conferences and summits and, in this regard, must strengthen their effort to enhance inter-agency collaboration and coordination to implement the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits,

Recognizing that the process of integrated and coordinated follow-up of the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits should not include renegotiation of the outcomes of those conferences, in particular their specific follow-up mechanisms,

1. *Decides* to establish an open-ended ad hoc working group of the General Assembly under the chairmanship of the President of the Assembly, with two vice-chairmen to be elected by the working group;

2. *Decides also* that the work of the working group should be consistent with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 50/227 and the follow-up mechanisms decided upon by the respective United Nations conferences and summits and should respect the thematic unity of each conference, emphasize that cross-sectoral thematic issues should be decided upon at the intergovernmental level, focus on implementation, taking into account that the process summits should be balanced and should respect the principles of multilateralism and non-selectivity, and avoid the imposition of conditions;

3. *Decides further* that the working group will help to develop recommendations to ensure an integrated and coordinated follow-up of the United Nations conferences and summits, bearing in mind the continuing reform process of the United Nations and General Assembly resolution 50/227, as well as the views expressed by the Member States during the general debate on this question;

4. *Decides* that the working group will also consider the work of the Second and Third Committees relevant to the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields, bearing in mind the respective role of the Economic and Social Council and the functional commissions and its subsidiary organs;

5. *Decides also* that the working group will examine how best to address the review of the implementation of the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields, including their format and periodicity, bearing in mind the need to recognize the thematic unity of each such conference;

6. *Decides further* that the working group will consider how to ensure that the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits are reflected in the programmes of work of the United Nations system and are taken fully into account, as relevant, for the operational work and country frameworks of United Nations system organizations, in accordance with national development objectives

and priorities, and requests the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination and the United Nations Development Group to contribute to the reflection on integrated conference follow-up;

7. *Decides* that the working group will commence its substantive work during the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly, preferably by January 2003, and will submit a report for its consideration and adoption before the end of that session in 2003;

8. *Decides also* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-eighth session the item entitled "Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields".